

Attempt to Separate Allies Only Welds Them Together More Firmly Than Ever

The greater part of that first phase was open warfare, mobile warfare such as the commanders and the troops I

This morning, when the postman stopped to make another call,
He left a soldier's letter that was welcome most of all;
And a woman's fingers trembled as she tore the envelope
To scan the lines which held so much of cheer and love and hope;
And sunshine all that day was stamped upon her loving face,
As she swept and cleansed with vigor all around the place.
And the dirt that lurked in corners didn't have a fighting chance,
For a mother had a letter from her boy in France!

They fought dismounted, it is true, but they could not have reached their positions in time without their horses. Once there, they fought against repeated attacks made by troops that outnumbered them three or four to one, fought for four days without anything to eat without anything to drink, without *armement* of any kind except ammunition. How stern were the needs

The Allied aeroplanes, too, had new work to do. To an extent never before approached, they became an actual fighting arm during this battle. They did infantry work, swooping down within 40 or 50 yards of the German troops

The letter has been given out as a general order, which will be read to each company and separate detachment at the first assembly after their receipt. To it the Commander-in-Chief, E. E. Foss, adds the following commendation: "In addition to our high appreciation of the splendid spirit of our Army, the Commander-in-Chief wishes to impress upon officers and men of all ranks a keen sense of the serious obligations which rest upon them, while at the same time giving them the assurance of his confidence in their loyalty, their courage and their sincere devotion to duty."

The New York State legislature had adjourned after successfully avoiding all issues that might make campaign material. The question of municipal ownership has been left to a Senate committee for a report to the next legislature.

The Federal prohibition amendment was sidestepped entirely, which threw the fight into the next session. The restoration of the State nominating convention was also postponed, and the primaries failed of passage. This will undoubtedly make the Federal prohibition amendment the big fighting point of next autumn's campaign with municipal ownership and other measures advocated by the Socialist party also prominent.

This will make New York politically important.

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